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AUTOMOTIVE ALTERNATOR

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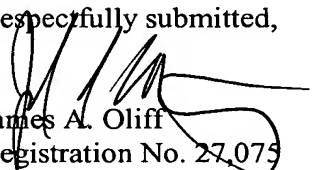
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- ☒ 2. Relevance of the non-English language reference 2 is discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 3. The present application was filed or entered the U.S. National Stage of the PCT after June 30, 2003. In accordance with the June 11, 2003, Notice waiving the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)(i), copies of any U.S. patents and patent application publications are not attached.
- ☒ 4. Reference 5,151,616 corresponds to Reference JP B2-2954374 which is cited in the specification.

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